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## UPCOMING EYENTS

HOME AWAY

Women's Basketball vs Bishop's, Jan. 26 (8:00)Women's Basketball @ McGill, Jan. 23 Men's Hockey vs York, Jan. 26 (7:30) Women's Hockey vs JAC, Jan. 27 (12:00) Men's Hockey vs Toronto, Jan. 27 (2:00) Women's Volleyball Invitational, Jan. 27 Men's Basketball vs Bishop's, Jan. 30 (8:00) Women's Hockey Tournament, Feb. 2-4 Women's Basketball vs McGill, Feb. 2 (7:00)

Women's Hockey @ Bishop's, Jan. 24 Women's Hockey @ McGill, Jan. 26 Men's Basketball @ Toronto, Jan. 26 Wrestling @ U.N.B., Jan. 27 Alpine Ski Team @ Val Neigette, Jan. 27-28 Women's Basketball @ Laval, Jan. 28 Men's Hockey @ U of T, Feb. 2 Men's Basketball @ Ryerson, Feb. 2 Women's Yolleyball @ Laval, Feb. 2-4 Men's Basketball @ Laurentian, Feb. 3

## STINGERS HEAD TO TORONTO THEN FACE BISHOP'S AT HOME

Men's Basketball Update: The sixth-ranked Stingers won the first three games of their road trip defeating Carleton 85-68, Queen's 77-52 and York 95-80. The road trip ended with an 87-86 overtime loss to Bishop's. **Dino Perin** (Montreal, Que.) averaged 15.5 points and 8 rebounds per game with a high of 24 points against Ottawa. Nick Arvanitis (Montreal, Que.) had 26 points against York while averaging 5 rebounds a game. Ernie Rosa (Montreal, Que.) had a season-high 21 points against Queen's.

This Week: John Dore's Concordia basketball team, 14-4 overall and 10-1 in league play, are in Toronto to play the Yarsity Blues on January 26. They return to entertain Bishop's on January 30 at 8:00 p.m. This game has been designated Spaghetti Night as the first 350 students will receive a dinner courtesy of P.J.'s Pub.

A Quick Look at Toronto: The Blues are 5-4 in the O.U.A.A. including their 96-85 loss to the Stingers January 5. Last year the Blues were 29-7 overall and made their first appearance in the C.I.A.U. Final Four. There are four returning starters including All-Canadian **Mark** Harvey (6-9), 0.U.A.A. All-Star Nick Saul (6-0), Art Sharp (6-3) and 0.U.A.A. All-Star Rob Wilson (6-8). With twelve returning players the new Blues' coach Ken Olynyk expected his team to get off to a better start than they did. However, Toronto has won its last five games.

A Quick Look at Bishop's: The Gaiters are currently 10-1 in 0.U.A.A. play after defeating Carleton and losing to Ottawa. Bishop's is now tied with Concordia for first place in the 0.U.A.A. East. This is the second meeting between the Stingers and the Gaiters with Bishop's winning 87-86 in OT in Lennoxville. All-Canadian and League MVP David King had 26 points in that game including the winning 3 point basket. Pierre Tibblin should be watched because he is the Gaiters' leading scorer while adding 21 points of his own in the win over the Stingers.

Head Coach **Eddie Pomykala**, now in his sixth season, believes that the Gaiters will return to the National Championship tournament this year.

### Stingers Stats:

PTS-Nick Arvanitis (17.3); Dino Perin (15.6).

MIN-Nick Arvanitis (29); Michael Cohee (28).

FG%-Dino Perin (59.0); Nick Arvanitis (52.5).

**3FG%**-Michael Cohee (60.0); Mike Baker (43.2).

FT%-Raphael Tyrrell (95); Hugh Wallace (82.6).

REB-Dino Perin (9.6); Nick Arvanitis (8.5).

ASS-Robert Ferguson (2.6); Michael Cohee (1.9).

**Team Stats**: As a team, the Stingers are averaging 92.5 points per game while holding the opposition to 83.1. The Stingers are shooting 46.4% from the field, 32.6% from the 3 point line and 71.3% from the foul line.

#### STINGERS PLAY HOST TO BISHOP'S - 8:00 P.M. FRIDAY

<u>Women's Basketball Update</u>: The Stingers are 5-16 overall and 0-2 in the Q.S.S.F after losses to Laval (69-34) and Bishop's (51-46). **Isabelle Tetreault** (Montreal, Que.) scored 19 points against the Gaiters including 11 of the Stingers' first 19 points. **Sharron St. Creix** (Montreal, Que.) averaged 9 points over the two games.

**This Week**: Concordia plays host to Bishop's on January 26 at 8:00 p.m. before travelling to Laval on January 28.

<u>A Quick Look at Bishop's</u>: The Lady Gaiters have 6 returning players and expect to improve on their 8-4 record of last year. They will certainly challenge Laval for first place in the Q.S.S.F. **Cynthia Johnston** led the team with 15.1 points per game last year. Against Concordia, **Alice Hartling** had 16 points and 6 rebounds.

<u>A Quick Look at Laval</u>: The Rouge et Or hope to repeat as Q.S.S.F champions and improve upon their seventh place finish at the Nationals. Laval has already defeated Concordia with **Lucie Bellemarre** scoring 16 points. Four starters return led by Q.S.S.F. all-star **Sonia Ritchie** and **"Rookie of the Year" Isabelle Lauzière**.

## STINGERS FACE YORK AND TORONTO AT HOME THIS WEEKEND

Men's Hockey Update: The Stingers' record stands at 6-11 in the O.U.A.A. after a 5-3 loss to Wilfrid Laurier and a 5-2 loss to Waterloo, both of whom were ranked in the top 5 nationally. Captain Richard Laplante (Boucherville, Que.) recorded two goals and one assist in the two games. He has scored a goal in four of his last five games. Right Winger Fabien Perras (Fleurimont, Que.), who just joined two other Champlain College Alumni, Danny Desabrais (Quyon, Que.) and Jeff Gill (Lennoxville, Que.), had two assists in the loss to Laurier.

**This Week**: Paul Arsenault, with 592 career victories, will have two important home games against the York Yeomen (January 26, 7:30 pm) and the Toronto Varsity Blues (January 27, 2:00). The Friday night game will be broadcast live on CIRL (650 AM and 88.5 FM Cable).

<u>A Quick Look at York</u>: The Yeomen lead the O.U.A.A. East with a record of 11-3-1. This will be the second time that the Stingers meet York having lost 6-3 in North York two weeks ago. Since 1975, the Yeomen have won six of eleven matches. York is 2-1 in the new year having lost to Ottawa (7-2) while defeating the Stingers and crosstown rival Toronto.

The defending national champions are in a rebuilding year under coach **Graham Wise**. The Yeomen have only three players who played on the two previous national champions.
Defenseman **Guy Girouard** leads the Yeomen in scoring with 22 points. Other key players include winger **Luciano Fagioli**, centre **Kevin Bonello** and goaltender **Ted Miciczarek**.

<u>A Quick Look at Toronto</u>: The Blues come to Montreal having won 3 of their 4 games in 1990 defeating Ottawa, Windsor and Brock by a combined score of 25-3. Their only loss came at the hands of York, 7-4. In the Stingers only previous game against the Blues, they lost 8-6 in the Duracell tournament at Toronto. The series record stands at 12-17-1 in Toronto's favour. The Blues are currently in fourth place in the O.U.A.A. East with a record of 7-8-0 and stand only two points ahead of the Stingers.

The Blues are coached by **Paul Titanic** who is in his fifth year behind the bench. This year the Blues have 13 veterans including goaltender **Paul Henriques** who stopped 29 shots in an 8-0 shutout of Windsor recently. Centre **Steve Boyd** is again leading the team in scoring with 27 points while **Dave MacLean** is following closely with 24 points. Coach Titanic believes that the Blues have "much greater depth and more of a balanced scoring attack compared to last season", when the Blues did not make the playoffs.

#### Stingers Leaders:

GAMES-Stephane Therrien (29); Jeff Gill (29).
GOALS-Richard Laplante (20); Mark Davidson (13).
ASSISTS-Richard Laplante (29); Rob Boyle (20).
POINTS-Richard Laplante (49); Rob Boyle (28).
PEN.MIN.-E.J. Janiszewski (52); Pierre Bouthillier (51).
SAYE %-Robert Desjardins (.887); Tod Talbot (.863).

## STINGERS RETURN TO LEAGUE PLAY WEDNESDAY

**Women's Hockey Update**: The Stingers (13-7-2) faced the Providence Friars, the top U.S. hockey team, twice this past weekend. The first game against the unbeaten and number one ranked Friars ended in a 3-2 setback. Rookie **Stephanie Ouellette** (Town of Mount Royal, Que.) scored both goals for the Stingers. The second game finished in a one-one draw. Goaltender **Marie Claude Roy** (Sorel, Que.) made 42 saves after facing 37 shots in the opening match. On Saturday, the Stingers defeated St. Lawrence 1-0 with **Debbie Woods-Turner** (Dorval, Que.) scoring the winning goal. **Marie Claude Roy** earned the shutout stopping 22 pucks. Roy's save percentage over the three games was an amazing .970.

**This Week:** The Stingers will visit Bishop's January 24 and McGill January 26 before playing host to John Abbott College on January 27 at 12:00.

A Quick Look at Bishop's/Champlain: The Polar Bears have lost once to the Stingers by a score of 7-2. They have the Q.W.I.H.L.'s fourth and fifth leading scorers. **Julie Morch** has 9-11-20 totals while **Erin Holmes** has tallied nine goals and seven assists. The Polar Bears are currently in second place with a record of 4-2-3.

**<u>A Quick Look at McGill</u>**: The Martlets have played once against Concordia and were shutout 10-0 by the Stingers. Currently in fourth place with a record of 3-3-2, they recently tied last place U.Q.T.R. 3-3. However, they have not lost since Nov. 17 when Bishop's defeated them 5-0.

<u>A Quick Look at John Abbott</u>: The Islanders lost in their only meeting with the Stingers by a score of 11-0. They are currently in fifth place with a 2-6-1 record allowing almost twice as many goals as they have scored. They have defeated Bishop's and U.Q.T.R. for their only two victories.

<u>Stingers Stats</u>: The top three scorers in the Quebec Women's Collegiate Hockey League are all Stingers.

	GP	G	A	P
Laura Leslie	8	18	15	33
Stephanie Ouellette	8	6	17	23
Debbie Woods-Turner	8	8	14	22